

Higher Ed & HIT Work Group Meeting

Thursday, July 9, 2009: 2:00-3:00 p.m.

Office of Vermont Health Access (OVHA)
Large Conference Room
312 Hurricane Lane
Williston, VT 05495

AGENDA

The meeting will focus on the areas of agreement identified at the first meeting and specific action steps by the participating organizations related to:

- Workforce development for
 - health informatics (health-specific IT) professionals,
 - training of clinicians in the use of health informatics technologies, and
 - new and emerging clinical practice areas designed to take advantage of HIT- and health care reform-driven changes in the practice environment.
- Research opportunities tied to
 - new data streams enabled by HIT,
 - HIT-driven changes in practice and service delivery, and
 - HIT-driven changes that affect quality of care and outcomes.

It was also noted that with respect to training, there are multiple levels, including:

- Using the technology,
- Administration of the technology and users, and
- Applied (higher level) use leading to compilation of research-standards data.

It was also noted that we need to consider and plan for a business implementation model that includes training for workforce doing the initial wave(s) of HIT installation as well as workforce who will stay to support and maintain the technology.
